

Marmaduke Semme late of st Maries County
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Marmaduke Semme St Maries County was sumoned to answer unto
Thomas Chapman of Liverpoole merchant of a
plea that he render unto him the whole & just quantity of five thousand five hundred pounds of good Sound merchantable leafe tobacco
in caske which to him he oweth & unjustly deteineth.

And whereupon the said Thomas Chapman by Robert Ridgely his Attorny saith that whereas the said Marmaduke the two & twentith day of ffebruary 1674 by his certaine bill obligatory Sealed with the seale of him the said Marmaduke & here in Court produced whose date is the day & yeare aforesaid did acknowledge himselfe to be oweing & firmly indebted unto the said Thomas the whole & just quantity of five thousand five hundred pounds of good sound merchantable leafe tobacco & casque, to be paid at or before the first day of October next ensueing the date thereof at some convenient place in St Maries County & for good performance thereof the said Marmaduke did bind himselfe his heirs exrs & admrs notwithstanding which the said Marmaduke the said five thousand five hundred pounds of tobacco according to the tenor of the said writeing Obligatory though often thereunto required hath not paid to him the said Thomas Chapman but the Same to pay hath denyed & as yet doth deny whereupon the Said Thomas Saith he his dampnified & hath lost to the value of Eight thousand pounds of tobacco & thereupon he bringeth his suite.

And the said Marmaduke by Kenelm Cheseldyn his Attorny cometh & defendeth the force & injury when &c & prayeth liberty to im-